

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: TECH, ENRG  
SUBJECT: URANIUM DISAPPEARANCE

FOLLOWING IS AN INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF  
GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN KLAUS BOELLING'S RESPONSE TO A  
QUESTION ON POSSIBLE FRG INVOLVEMENT IN THE  
MYSTERIOUS URANIUM DISAPPEARANCE:

Q: CAN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CONFIRM REPORTS FROM  
BRUSSELS THAT A GERMAN SHIP PARTICIPATED IN THE TRANS-  
PORTATION OF SUBSTANTIVE AMOUNTS OF URANIUM TO  
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MYSTERIOUS COUNTRIES?

A. THIS QUESTION APPEARED ON MY DESK OVER THE WEEKEND  
AND MY RESEARCH OVER THE WEEKEND - NO NEW FINDINGS  
EVOLVED THIS MORNING - SHOWED THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERN-  
MENT DOES NOT HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THIS INCIDENT.

Q. IS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PREPARED TO INQUIRE,  
IF THERE WAS A GERMAN PARTICIPATION?

A. I AM CONVINCED THAT THE PERSON I TALKED TO ON THE  
WEEKEND WILL FURTHER PURSUE THIS SUBJECT. BUT AT THE  
MOMENT I DO NOT SEE ANY REASON TO CORRECT IN ANY WAY  
THE INFORMATION THAT I PASSED OUT ON THE PHONE SEVERAL  
TIMES.

Q. DID YOU ALSO DIRECT YOUR INQUIRY TO THOSE SOURCES  
WHO WERE ENGAGED A WHILE AGO IN THE NOT ENTIRELY LEGAL  
EXPORT OF WEAPONS ABOARD GERMAN SHIPS?

A. I DID INQUIRE AT THE SOURCE WHICH, ACCORDING TO  
MY JUDGMENT, HAS THE BEST OVERVIEW AT THE MOMENT.

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